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TO AMEMBASSY MANAGUA

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EYES ONLY FOR AMBASSADOR FROM ARA/MGT

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SUBJECT: SPECIAL AUDIT OF EMBASSY'S ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION

REFS: (A) SPECIAL AUDIT/INSPECTION JUNE 76 (NOTAL);

(B) STATE 152382; (C) MANAGUA 3037; (D) STATE 165896;

(E) LETTER TO AMBASSADOR THEBERGE 21 JUNE 76; (F) LETTER TO
AMB. SAYRE FROM MANAGUA 8 JULY 76; (G) MANAGUA OM, 7 JULY
76; (H) LETTER TO MANAGUA FROM MARVIN E. SMITH, 23 JULY 76

1. ARA/MGT HAS BEEN CHARGED WITH COORDINATING THE COMPLI-
ANCE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SPECIAL AUDIT/INSPECTION OF
DEFICIENCIES REGARDING THE ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS OF THE
EMBASSY.

2. THE DEPARTMENT APPRECIATES THE ASSISTANCE WHICH THE
EMBASSY HAS GIVEN IN THE PAST. THERE REMAIN, HOWEVER,
CERTAIN ITEMS WHICH WILL REQUIRE THE EMBASSY'S ATTENTION IN
ORDER THAT A FINAL COMPLIANCE REPORT MAY BE PREPARED. THEY
ARE (A) UNREIMBURSED PERSONAL TELEPHONE CALLS. THE BUREAU
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REALIZES WHAT AN ONEROUS JOB IT WILL BE, BUT WE MUST AGAIN

REQUEST AS WE DID IN STATE 152382 AND STATE 165896, A REVIEW OF ALL TELEPHONE BILLINGS FROM OCTOBER 1970 THROUGH AUGUST 1975 AND A LIST OF ALL CALLS WHICH THE EMBASSY BELIEVES MAY HAVE BEEN OF A PERSONAL NATURE. (B) ASSIGN-

MENT OF DRIVERS. THE BUREAU REQUESTS A STATEMENT FROM EMBASSY THAT AMBASSADOR'S MEMO OF APRIL 9, 1976 IS BEING FOLLOWED IN THAT FOR OFFICIAL FUNCTIONS WIFE OF THE AMBASSADOR WILL USE THE AMBASSADOR'S OFFICIAL CAR IF AVAILABLE OR WILL USE A MOTOR POOL VEHICLE.

FYI: WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE PRESENT AMBASSADOR DOES NOT HAVE A POV AT POST AND MOTOR POOL SERVICE IS IN FACT BEING PROVIDED. HOWEVER, WE NEED THIS STATEMENT FROM THE EMBASSY FOR THE COMPLIANCE REPORT.

(C) REPRESENTATION REIMBURSEMENTS. THE BUREAU REQUESTS A STATEMENT FROM THE EMBASSY FOR THE FINAL COMPLIANCE REPORT THAT EMBASSY PROCEDURES ARE IN COMPLIANCE WITH PARAGRAPH 3 OF STATE 165896.

FYI: THIS PARAGRAPH ADDRESSES REIMBURSEMENT PROCEDURES FOR REPRESENTATIONAL FUNCTIONS.

3. WITH THIS INFORMATION, BUREAU IS HOPEFUL THAT IT CAN REPORT COMPLIANCE WITH THE RECOMMENDATIONS AND BRING THIS MATTER TO A RAPID CLOSE. EMBASSY'S PROMPT COOPERATION WOULD BE MOST APPRECIATED. PLEASE RESPOND BY POUCH NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 15. MARK ENVELOPE FOR ARA/MGT, ROOM 3906, NEW STATE BLDG., ATTENTION: MR. ALLARD. KISSINGER

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